

Birmingham, Ala.,
August 20, 1929.

Dearest Lil:

Ever since Dr. Collier got back home, I have intended writing, but this seems to be a most trying period. Was back home only 2 nights ^{and} I had to come back to mamma's. Dr. Douglass did not want me to stay at home alone. Since that time I have not been free of pain, while not so active, most annoying. My back almost drives me crazy. So you can see how hard it is to sit still long enough to write. Am just waiting, that's all. Sunday was the last day of Dr. Douglass' count ^{and} if I go to rest Sunday he says will go on to hospital ^{and} I see what's holding things back. Here's hoping it won't be long. Naturally, I'm so

proud that after this many years, it
happened, but I am sorry that everything
else had to happen at the same time,
but the Lord must have some purpose
^{and} I while at times I could be most de-
spondent. I'm determined that I am not
going to waver, at least not until it's over.
I just want to thank you from the very
bottom of my heart for your help. I realize
that with business conditions as they are
you were not in position to do it, ^{and} also
if it were not that I am like this you
would not have felt you had it to do, ^{and}
so I feel it my own obligation. Naturally,
I would have been working ^{and} we could
have gotten on, for I had been offered
several nice positions for the summer
^{and} even under ordinary circumstances,
would have taken one of them. I
hope that in some way, we will be

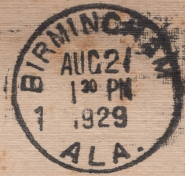
able, not to repay, but to show you in
some way how much we both do appreciate
your help. Dr. Carlisle still has not found
anything to do. I hope things will happen
before he does get anything so he won't be
tied up, but here's hoping both take place
soon.

Of course, I know nothing to write about
but baby, ^{and} if you aren't tired of hearing it
I don't see why, so I won't bore you longer.
When your new nephew arrives, I'll have
them wire you what it is.

Lots of love ^{and} I again thanking you.

Lucie

In case you want to write or wire us
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